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HIGHNESS THE Prince of Orange HIS LETTER TO THE LORDS Spiritual and Temporal,

Assembled at

WESTMINSTER,

In this present

CONVENTION,

January 22. $168\frac{8}{9}$.

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My Lords,

I Have endeavoured, to the utmost of my Power, to perform what was desired from me, in order to the publick peace and Safety; and I do not know that any thing hath been omitted which might tend to the preservation of them, since the Administration of Affairs was put into my Hands: It now lieth upon you to lay the Foundations of a firm Security for your Religion, your Laws, and your Liberties.

I do not doubt, but that by such a Full and Free Representative of the Nation, as is now met, the Ends of my Declaration will be attained: And since it hath Pleased God hitherto to bless my good Intentions with so great Success, I trust in him, that he will com-

compleat his own Work, by leading a Spirit of peace and Union, to influence our Councils, that no interruption may be given to an happy and lasting Settlement.

The Dangerous Condition of the Protestant Interest in Ireland; *requiring a large and speedy Succour; and the present State of things abroad oblige me to tell you; That next to the Danger of Unseasonable Divisions amongst your selves, Nothing can be so Fatal as too great Delay in your Consultations: The States by whom I have been enabled to rescue this Nation, may suddenly feel the ill effects of it, both by being too long deprived of the Service of their Troops which are now here, and of your early Assistance against a powerful Enemy, who hath declared war against them: And as* England *is by Treaty already engaged to help them upon any such Exigencies, so I am confident that their chearful Concurrence to preserve this Kingdom with so much Hazard to themselves, will meet with all*

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the Returns of Freindship and Assistance, which may be expected from you, as protestants *and* Englishmen, *whenever their Condition shall require it.*

Given at St. James's *this 22d day of* January, 163,.

To the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, assembled at Westminster *in this present Convention.*

Will. H. P. d'Orange.

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THE ADDRESS OF THE Lords Spiritual and Temporal AND COMMONS, Assembled at *Westminster* in this Present CONVENTION, To His HIGHNESS the Prince of Orange: With His HIGHNESS's Answer.

Die Martis 22° Januarii $168\frac{8}{9}$.

WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, Assembled at *Westminster*, being highly sensible of the great Deliverance of this Kingdom from Popery and Arbitrary power; and that our Preservation is (next under God

God) owing to your Highness, do return our most humble Thanks and Acknowledgment to Your Highness, as the Glorious Instrument of so great a Blessing to us.

WE do further acknowledge the great Care Your Highness has been pleased to take in the Administration of the publick Affairs of the Kingdom to this time: And we do most humbly desire Your Highness, That You will take upon You the Administration of publick Affairs both Civil and Military, and the Disposal of the publick Revenue, for the Preservation of our Religion, Rights, Laws, Liberties and Properties, and of the Peace of the Nation: And that Your *H*ighness will take into Your Care the present Condition of *Ireland*, and endeavour by the most Speedy and Effectual Means to prevent the Dangers threatning that Kingdom. All which we make our Request to Your Highness to Undertake

dertake and Exercise, till further Applicat
on shal be made by us, which shal be e
pedited with all convenient speed: and sh
also use our utmost Endeavours to
Dispatch to the Matters recommended to
by Your Highness's Letter.

Die Mercurii, 23. Januarii, 168⅞.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

*I Am glad that what I have done hath pleas
ed you: And since you desire Me to con
tinue the Administration of Affairs, I am willin
to accept it. I must Recommend to you
Consideration of Affairs Abroad, which make
it fit for you to expedite your Business;
only for making a Settlement at Home upon
good Foundation, but for the Safety of all Europe*

Die Mercurii, 23° Januarii, 168⅞.

ORDERED, by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal Assem
bled at *Westminster*, That no Papist, or Reputed Papis
do presume to come into the *Lobby*, *Painted-Chamber*, *Court-
Requests*, or *Westminster-Hall*, during the Sitting of this Con
vention. And it is further Ordered, That This Order be Prin
ted and Published, and set upon the Doors of the said Rooms

FINIS.

His Majesties

MOST GRACIOUS

SPEECH

To both Houses of

PARLIAMENT,

On *Thursday* the 22th day of *October*, 1691.

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